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In re Application of: BRAVEN, Helen, KEAY, Russell, and FLOWER, Stephen

Title: PROTEASE DETECTION ASSAY

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION FILED WITH REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Examiner's Final Office action mailed 30th September, 2008, in the above-referenced application.

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one (1)-month extension of time within which to respond to the Office action dated September 30, 2008, such extension allowing the undersigned until January 30, 2009 to respond.